

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

Survey No. M28-5

Magi No. 1607225504

DOE yes no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Adam Noll Log House

and/or common

2. Location

street & number 220 Rt. 108, just east of Ashton (Rt. 650)

 not for publication

city, town Ashton

 vicinity of congressional district

8th

state Maryland

county Montgomery

3. Classification

Category

 district
 building(s)
 structure
 site
 object

Ownership

 public
☒ private
 both

Public Acquisition

 in process
 being considered
 not applicable

Status

☒ occupied
 unoccupied
 work in progress

Accessible

 yes: restricted
 yes: unrestricted
☒ no

Present Use

 agriculture museum
 commercial park
 educational ☒ private residence
 entertainment religious
 government scientific
 industrial transportation
 military other:

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Bernard & Anita Empleton

street & number 220 Ashton Rd.

telephone no.:

city, town Ashton

state and zip code Maryland, 20702

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Montgomery County Court House

liber 3124

street & number

folio 397

city, town Rockville

state Maryland

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title MNCPPC Historic Sites Inventory

date 1976

 federal ☒ state ☒ county local

pository for survey records Park Historian's Office

city, town Rockville

state Maryland

7. DESCRIPTION	
CONDITION	(Check One) <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good <input type="checkbox"/> Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated <input type="checkbox"/> Ruins <input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered <input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered
	(Check One) <input type="checkbox"/> Moved <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site
DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (If known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE	
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8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates

Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D
and/or
Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G
Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☐ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

The Adam Noll house is significant as an example of both the chink & log architecture of the early 1800's and the later frame farm dwellings of the mid to late 1800's. The present owner, Mrs. Anita Empleton, states that she has heard from various sources that the early log section of the house was built during the end of the 1700's.¹ If this is true, the house was probably built by Bernard Gilpin, who owned a large tract of land which included the lot on which the house sits. In January of 1842, Gilpin sold the house, sitting on 5 acres and 31 perches of a tract of land referred to as "Addition to Charley's Forest," to Charles Hill for \$181.78.² Two years later, Gilpin sold Hill additional acreage bringing the total of Hill's land holdings up to 11 acres and 96 square perches.³ In October of 1848, Charles Hill sold the property to Edward Hill for \$650.⁴ Edward later sold the property to Adam Noll, Sr. for \$1125 in September of 1863. It was probably Adam Noll who added the second (or middle) addition to the house which the present owner estimates, based on what she has been told, to be approximately 120 years old.⁵

Adam Noll died intestate, leaving as his heirs Adam Noll, Jr., Susan Boswell, Mary Thompson and Catherine Kemp, to whom the property passed. In October of 1887, the heirs of Adam Noll sold the house to Eva Stiffler, also a relative.⁶ When Eva died, the house went to her heirs, Susan Boswell, Mary Thompson, Catherine Kemp, John F. Noll, Hart & Ella Noll and Mary & Charles Gannon. They sold it in July of 1911 to Maurice J. Stabler for \$1105.⁷ In September of 1946, Maurice and his wife, Cynthia, sold the house to Benjamin and Virginia Richmond who sold it in June of 1951 to Ray and Myrtle Olson.⁸ The Olsons added the third section to the house in 1953.⁹ In August of 1963, Myrtle (by then a widow) sold the house to the present owners, Bernard E. and Anita Empleton.¹⁰ Anita Empleton states that the house has been left generally unaltered and, in her opinion, the integrity of the old style farm architecture has been maintained.

¹Conversation with Anita Empleton, October 1982.

²Deed BS 11/83, Mont. Co. Land Records.

³Deed BS 12/161,"

⁴Deed JGH 9/301,"

⁵Anita Empleton

⁶Deed Ja 6/357, Mont. Co. Land Records.

⁷Deed 244/18, Land Rec.

⁸Deed 1039/301 & 1547/600

⁹Anita Empleton

¹⁰Deed 3124/397, Land Rec.

9: Major Bibliographical References

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Conversation with Mrs. Anita Empleton, 10/82

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property 11.93 acres

Quadrangle name

Quadrangle scale

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

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Zone Easting Northing

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Zone Easting Northing

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Verbal boundary description and justification

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code

state	code	county	code

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Catherine Crawford

organization M.C. Hist. Preservation Commission

date 10/82

street & number

telephone

city or town Rockville

state Maryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

return to: Maryland Historical Trust
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Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 269-2438

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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST WORKSHEET

NOMINATION FORM

for the

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES, NATIONAL PARKS SERVICE

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1. NAME				
COMMON:				
AND/OR HISTORIC: Adam Noll Log House				
2. LOCATION				
STREET AND NUMBER: Rte. 108, east of Ashton				
CITY OR TOWN: Ashton				
STATE: Maryland			COUNTY: Montgomery	
3. CLASSIFICATION				
CATEGORY (Check One)		OWNERSHIP		STATUS
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object		<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress
		Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered		ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)				
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment <input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum <input type="checkbox"/> Park <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Comments _____				
4. OWNER OF PROPERTY				
OWNER'S NAME: Dickey family				
STREET AND NUMBER: Rte. 108				
CITY OR TOWN: Ashton			STATE: Maryland	
5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION				
COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: Montgomery County Courthouse				
STREET AND NUMBER:				
CITY OR TOWN: Rockville			STATE: Maryland	
Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #):				
6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS				
TITLE OF SURVEY:				
DATE OF SURVEY: <input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> Local				
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:				
STREET AND NUMBER:				
CITY OR TOWN:			STATE:	

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8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

☐ Pre-Columbian☐ 16th Century☐ 18th Century☐ 20th Century☐ 15th Century☐ 17th Century☒ 19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Aboriginal

☐ Prehistoric☐ Historic☐ Agriculture☐ Architecture☐ Art☐ Commerce☐ Communications☐ Conservation☐ Education☐ Engineering☐ Industry☐ Invention☐ Landscape☐ Architecture☐ Literature☐ Military☐ Music☐ Political☐ Religion/Phi-

losophy

☐ Science☐ Sculpture☐ Social/Humon-

itarion

☐ Theater☐ Transportation☐ Urban Planning☐ Other (Specify)

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Appears to have been the house of Adam Noll, shown on Hopkins' 1878 map. This was one of the oldest free Negro settlements in the county, and it is assumed that the house was built by one of these settlers.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

1865 & 1878 maps of Montgomery County.

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds	
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NE	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
SE	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
SW	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

Acreage Justification:

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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:

Michael F. Dwyer, Senior Park Historian

ORGANIZATION

M-NCPPEC

DATE

3/16/73

STREET AND NUMBER:

8787 Georgia Ave.

CITY OR TOWN:

Silver Spring

STATE

Maryland

12. State Liaison Officer Review: (Office Use Only)

Significance of this property is:

National ☐ State ☐ Local ☐

Signature

SANDY SPRING P.O.

And Vicinity

MONT. CO.

Scale 80 Rods to One Inch

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BUSINESS NOTICES.

Dr. S. I. Scott, Dentist.
Special attention given to the preservation of the natural teeth...
Sandy Springs.

Wm S. Bond.
Manufacturer of Bone Dust, LXL, and Dissolved Bone.
Sandy Spring, P.O.
See Spencerville Plan



BUSINESS NOTICES.

W. H. Jones.
Proprietor of Carriage & Machine Shops.
All work in his line done at the lowest prices on Twelve months credit.

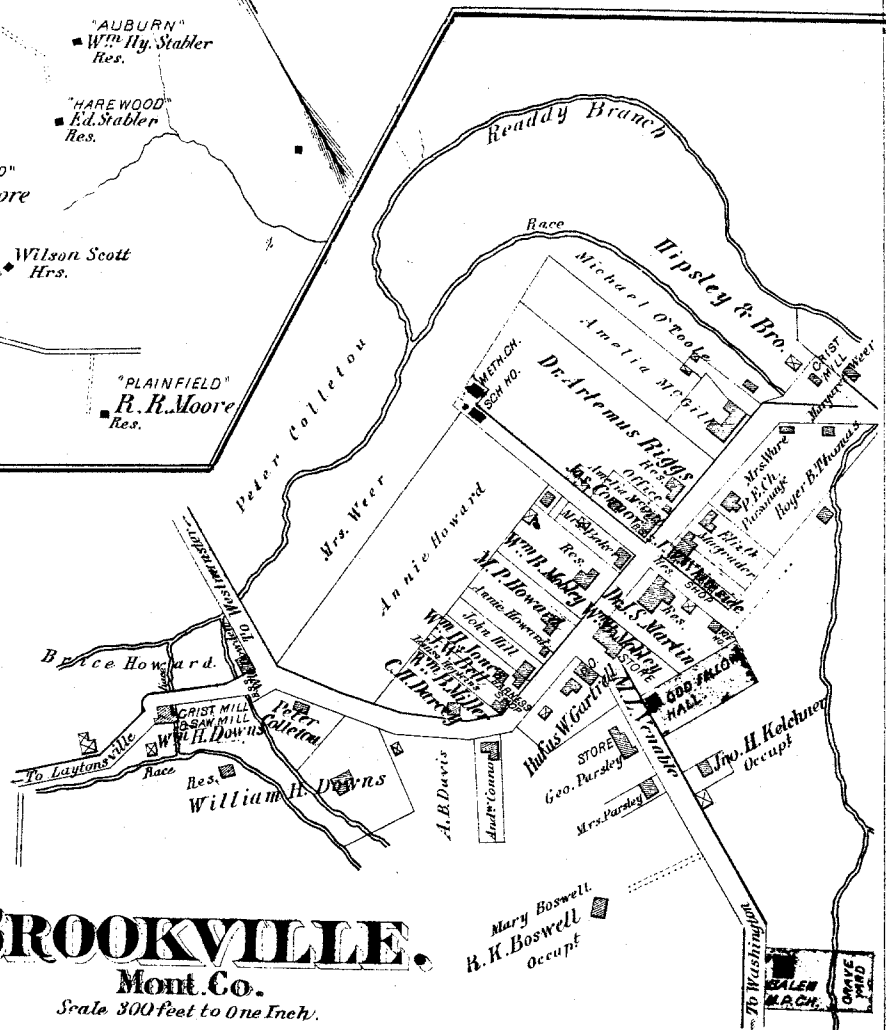
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All kinds of Carriages, Buggies, Express Wagons. Trimming and Upholstering done in all variety of material, to order and in latest style.
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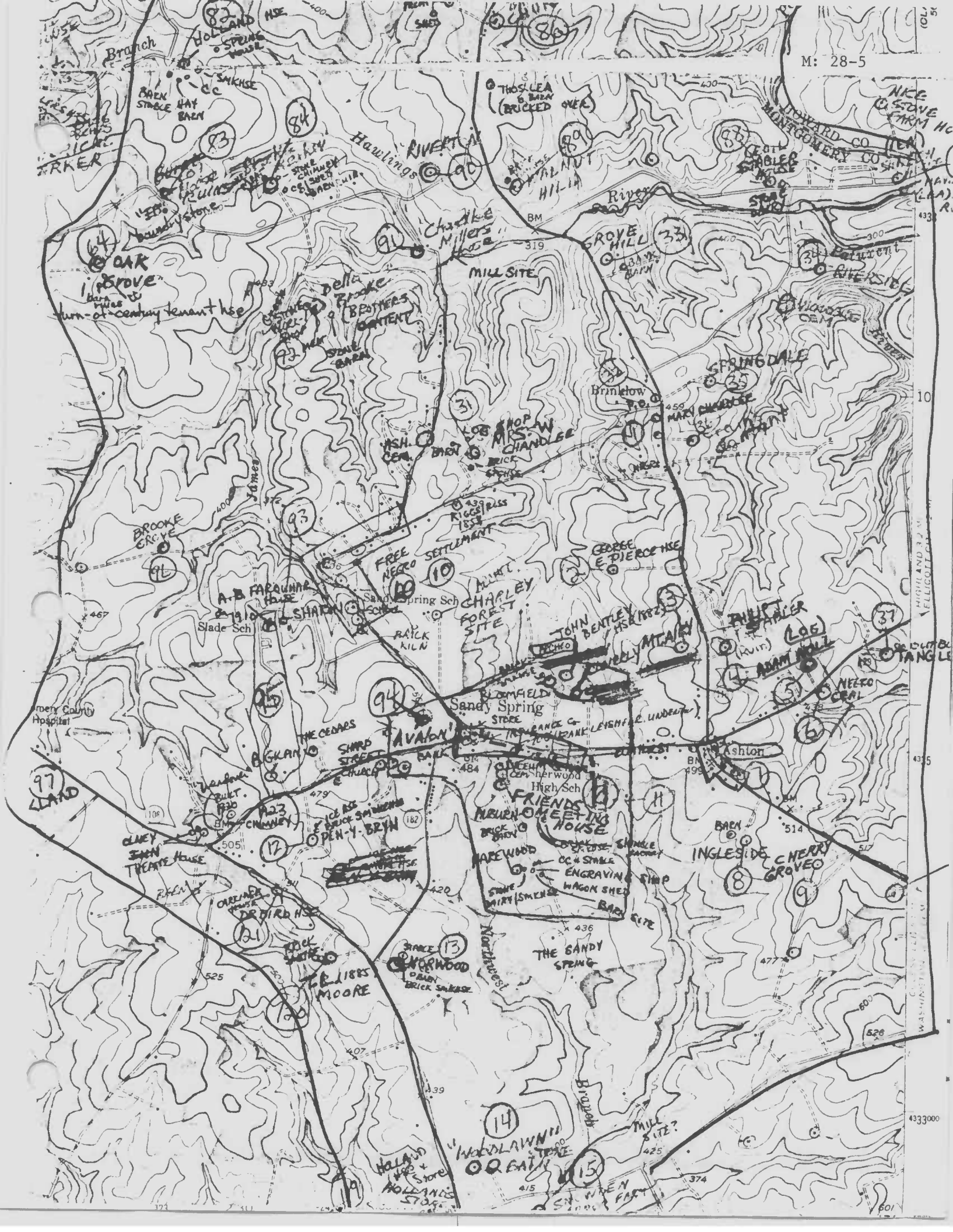
BROOKVILLE.

MONT. CO.

Scale 300 Feet to One Inch.



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ADAM
NAME NOLL ~~RE~~ (DICKEY) LOG HOUSE

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LOCATION Rt. 108 ASHTON, Md

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